4TH SENATE DISTRICT

# LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

STATE SENATOR LENA C. TAYLOR



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#### **COMMUNITY ALERT**

Senator Taylor's Office hours

Mother Daniels
Conference Center
3500 W Mother Daniels Way
June 30, 2010

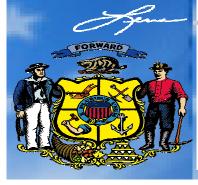
11 am—2 pm

Come...let us serve you!

Dear Friend,

Thank you for reading the legislative update. I hope you find the information provided here useful.

As Always I'm Here to Serve!



## TAYLOR TO SUPPORT YOUNGSTAR, PROVIDE OVERSIGHT FOR CHILD CARE SERVICES

The Joint Finance Committee will take action the YoungStar plan, the child care rating system, this coming Wednesday.

As a member of the committee and a concerned tax-payer in Milwaukee, I will be doing all that I can to gain support for the plan to provide accountability and oversight of the state subsidized child care system. Its time for Wisconsin to have that level of accountability that it expects.

The plan will place all child care providers in a rating system that will help parents find quality child care and provide fiscal oversight to ward off fraud!

I encourage you to keep track of this important plan. Much has been said about fraud in Wisconsin...with this we are taking care of it!



#### DRUNK DRIVING REFORMS TAKE EFFECT JULY 1

One of the major pieces of criminal justice reforms passed this session was work on drunk driving, and much of that work happened in my committee — Judiciary, Corrections, Insurance, Campaign Finance Reform, and Housing.

The new laws will go into effect July 1 of this year. Act 100 provides for tougher penalties on repeat drunk drivers, expanded treatment options, and better use of Ignition Interlock Devices and probation to monitor those with problems.

# TAYLOR CO-GRAND MARSHALL OF JUNETEENTH PARADE, NOW A STATE HOLIDAY

It took 145 years, but Juneteenth is now an official state holiday in Wisconsin! I have been honored to be an author of the law making it so, and will be co-Grand Marshall of the Juneteenth Day Parade this

Saturday in Milwaukee. Wisconsin Act 91 was signed into law earlier this year marking the day as a legal holiday in Wisconsin.

This years parade will start at 10am on Atkinson Ave-

nue and make its way to Dr. Martin Luther King Drive.

The Juneteenth Day celebration marks the date that the slaves were freed in 1865. I invite everyone to come and celebrate!

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## **Staff Spotlight**



Eric Peterson Chief of Staff

Hometown: Amery WI General Duties: Legislative matters, office management About Team Taylor: This team is the best ever, they love to serve!

Best Success: Passing Major Corrections Reform

# Interested in an internship?

Contact the office at 414-342-7176 for more information

and to apply!

### LEGAL CORNER

### KNOW YOUR RIGHTS!

How To Deal With Encounters With The Police.

I will be holding a "Know Your Rights" event that focuses on how to deal with encounters with the police. This event and panel discussion hopes to address many of the concerns Milwaukee residents have about their relationships with law enforcement. The event will be held in Milwaukee on Saturday June 26, 2010 from 9 am to 12 pm at Greater New Birth Church, which is located at 8237 W. Silver Spring Street. The program will include a showing of a "Know Your Rights" DVD, a panel made up of community leaders, government officials, police department representatives, and time for community members to voice opinions. If

you would like to volunteer at this event, please contact Senator Taylor's office at 414-342-7176.



### MANNERS MOMENT

During this abundant season of graduations, weddings and summer celebrations many of us are receiving a high volume of invitations. Did you know when you are asked to RSVP or please reply, it is appropriate to respond based on who the envelope is addressed to?

For example, if your envelope is addressed to Mr. and Mrs. Jones, the host is expecting only Mr. and Mrs. Jones. Another example is Ms. Smith and Guest. In this case, Ms. Smith is invited to bring one person. When the envelope is addressed to Ms. Sara Smith. Sara Smith is *not* invited to bring a guest. The expectation is she will come alone. If the host is having an Adult Only event, please, do not bring children. Even, if your child is wellmannered, your imposition is impolite.

This is Dana World Patterson reminding you that manners matter and they only take a moment.

Any questions, contact me at Dana@visionsetiquettetraining.com





## **NEWS FROM YOUR SENATOR!**

### How am I doing?

As your Senator, my job is to serve the public interest and you! I want to know what you think about the issues and my time as a Senator!

Anytime you want to express an opinion or comment on legislation I've been working on or if my office has helped you with a case, let me know how I did.

It's easy—call 342-7176 or write sen.taylor@legis.wisconsin.gov

## Taylor will head study of Criminal Justice Funding

This fall, I will head a special study committee that will study our criminal justice funding stream in Wisconsin and make significant recommendations on changes to better support the Justice System.

As a leader in the justice fields, I am very happy that

Wisconsin will again be able to have comprehensive reform measures brought to the Legislature.

Criminal Justice encompasses much of the daily work of government and there are ways that we can do it better and more efficiently. My hope is that we grab onto these effective justice strategies and save the taxpayers money!